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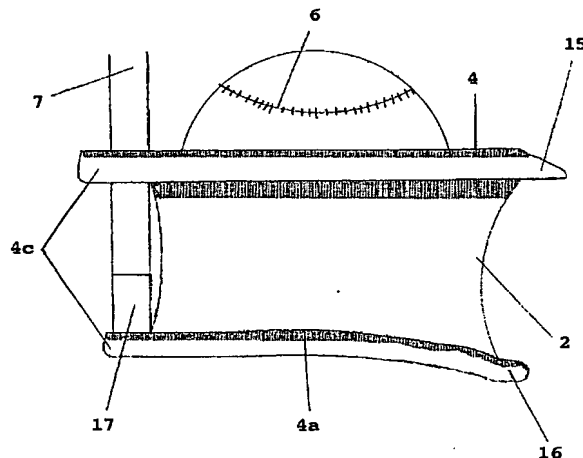
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(54) Title: **HOLDER TO FACILITATE THE SIGNING AND STORAGE OF COLLECTIBLE BASEBALLS AND OTHER SPORTS MEMORABILIA**



(57) Abstract: An apparatus and method of use thereof, to assist in the signing and protection of sports memorabilia articles while on the field of play. Means for attaching or holding a writing implement is provided on the apparatus. The main body of the apparatus, preferably constructed from plastic, is contoured to facilitate gripping the apparatus while a player is signing the article. In alternative embodiments, the apparatus may be constructed in a two-piece, interlocking design to permit multiple uses. The apparatus may also bear graphical information for advertising, identification, or other informational uses.

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